

Regional Service Council Minutes Region 1 Lake County

Meeting Date: January 30, 2007

Meeting Location: Lake County Juvenile Justice Center

3000 West 93rd Avenue Crown Point Indiana 46307

Council Members Present: Jane Bisbee, Melanie Cox, Glenn Commons, Rita Daniels, Alfred Fisher, Deborah Harris, Cynthia Kambesis, Henry Mosley, Charlotte Peller, Elizabeth Teagarden, Lavetta Wade, Lynda Wheeler

Council Members Absent: Richard Ban, Mary Beth Bonaventura, Jeffrey Miller, and Diane Weiss-Bradley

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:38 pm

Ms. Bisbee introduced some members of the newest class of FCMs for Lake County.

The November Regional Service Council Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Council members were presented with 3 handouts to discuss.

The first handout was the Lake County Demographic Information on Child Abuse and Neglect for the Fiscal Year 2005.

The second handout was the Indiana State Child Fatality Team Report and the recommendations from the team. This team has the statutory authority to review any child death. The report noted that one major cause of infant deaths is unsafe sleeping conditions such as sleeping with an adult.

The third handout was the Region 1 Child Abuse and Neglect Strategic Action Plan form to be completed for 2007. The Regional Service Council must determine the gaps in prevention services available for the children of Lake County.

The RSC will determine service gaps as a blueprint on how to allocate prevention dollars. Council members offered that some apparent gaps would be transportation, ability to pay utilities, a Spanish speaking psychiatrist. A short discussion was held regarding services that are available but need increased program dollars to improve capacity. A sub committee of Lavetta Wade, Deborah Harris, Elizabeth Teagarden, and Henry Mosley was formed to identify the gaps and report to the entire council. At the February meeting the committee will provide an update to the council with a final plan to be approved at the March meeting. Members have requested that they be given the final draft prior to the March meeting so they have time to review before the meeting.

A motion was made and seconded for the meeting to be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.